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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF:

BALLARD RURAL TELEPHONE
COOPERATIVE CORPORATION, INC.

PSC CASE NO. 2004-00036

v.

JACKSON PURCHASE ENERGY CORPORATION

**RESPONSE TO MOTION TO CONTINUE THE HEARING
SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 15, 2006**

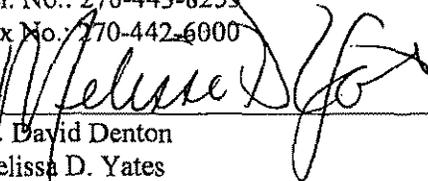
Comes the defendant, Jackson Purchase Energy Corporation ("JPEC"), through counsel, and in response to Plaintiff's Motion to Continue the Hearing Scheduled for March 15, 2006, states as follows:

The motion correctly states that JPEC has no objection to rescheduling the hearing in this matter. However, JPEC respectfully requests that the Commission refrain from setting this matter during the month of June, 2006, as several of its key employees will be unavailable during much of the month of June. More specifically, the general manager of JPEC, Kelly Nuckols, has already scheduled business related meetings and travel during that time and will be unavailable for several days of the month. More specifically, Mr. Nuckols will be attending out-of-town meetings during June 1-2 and from June 17-22, 2006. Tracy Bensley, JPEC's new Vice President of Engineering and Operations will be moving his family from North Carolina to Paducah and will be unavailable during much of June as well. Further, during the final week of June, Mr. Nuckols and other key personnel will be preparing for and attending JPEC's annual meeting which is scheduled for June 29, 2006.

Wherefore, JPEC respectfully requests that the Commission consider a time other than the month of June 2006 for the hearing in this matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

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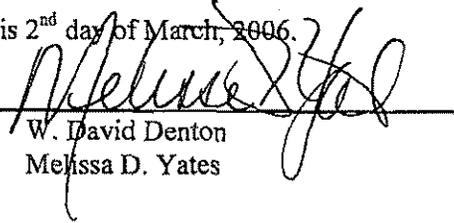
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